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BIOLOGIST RECEIVES AWARD

A biologist at the U. S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC) Environmental Laboratory (EL) was recently awarded the prestigious Walter T. Cox Award.

Dr. H. Roger Hamilton, a supervisory biologist and chief of the EL Resource Analysis Branch, received the award from the George B. Hartzog, Jr., Environmental Awards Program.

Hartzog was the seventh Director of the National Park Service and served from 1964 – 1973. His administration led the largest expansion of the national park system in its history, adding 69 units to the national parks.

The Walter T. Cox Award is given for sustained achievement in public service providing inspirational leadership in policy formation affecting natural and cultural resources.

Hamilton has served the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers for 32 years. He previously served as Chief of Natural Resources Management in Washington, D. C., and Chief of Environmental Planning in Ft. Worth, Tex., where he authored legislation and policy suggestions for the Civil Works branch of the Corps of Engineers. In his current capacity at ERDC, he is responsible for research in outdoor recreation, cultural resources and human dimensions of natural resources at Corps water resources projects. Based on the outcomes of his research unit, policy recommendations are made that affect water-based recreation pursuits.

Hamilton received a bachelor's of science in wildlife biology from Ohio State University, a master's of arts in political science from the University of Texas at Arlington and a doctorate in geography from Louisiana State University. He is an adjunct professor of biology at Mississippi College and an adjunct professor of geography at

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Louisiana State University. He has authored over 80 professional papers, articles and book chapters, and he has lectured at approximately 20 universities. He is a member of the Association of American Geographers, The Wildlife Society, the National Military Fish and Wildlife Society, the Mississippi Association of Biologists, and Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society.

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